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Allegations against the President of Co-operative Stores in Tindivanam.

* 616 *Q.*—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any defalcation to the extent of Rs. 10,000 and more was reported against the President of the Co-operative Stores in Tindivanam;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the auditors disclosed the above defalcation; and

(*c*) in what stage the enquiry into the defalcation is?

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA:—" (*a*) & (*b*) No, Sir. The auditor pointed out certain irregularities in the maintenance of the account of the stores.

" (*c*) The irregularities pointed out by the auditor have been investigated by the Deputy Registrar as a result of which the stores has filed five arbitration references against the ex-president and other office-bearers for the recovery of a sum of Rs. 10,261–0–10 in all, being the loss caused to the stores by them."

Recovery of cost of articles from the staff of King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam.

* 617 *Q.*—SRI M. VEERABHADRAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount recovered from the salaries of nursing orderlies, totis, latchies, etc., for the month of January 1953 in King George Hospital, Visakhapatnam, for alleged loss of articles; and

(*b*) from how many it was recovered?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" (*a*) Rs. 96–0–2.

" (*b*) The cost of missing linen was recovered from 43 nursing orderlies; 2 attendants (male and female); 24 totis (male and female); and 3 sweepers.

The cost of lost or broken articles of furniture, crockery and instruments was recovered from 15 nursing orderlies (male and female) and two female totis."

Lease by auction of certain poramboke lands in Nediyirup village, Ernad taluk.

* 618 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether poramboke lands in R.S. No. 562/1–12 in Nediyirup village, Ernad taluk, Malabar district, were leased in auction on 15th October 1952; and, if so, how many acres, to whom and for what amount?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" The lands in R.S. No. 562/1, 2, 4 to 8, 10 to 12 in Nediyirup village, Ernad taluk, Malabar district, are not poramboke